

About This Guide

VlanDirector is a virtual LAN-management application for Cisco Catalyst switches. It enables you to configure and modify virtual LANs (VLANs) using a Graphical User Interface (GUI). VlanDirector provides multiple windows for displaying configuration status, and provides both physical and logical views of interconnected Catalyst switches.

Use this guide when you create, configure, and manage VLANs using VlanDirector. Chapters 1 and 2 provide overview and planning information. Chapter 3 describes how to get started and navigate within the product. Chapters 4 and 5 provide information on configuring VLANs and links. Chapters 6, 7, and 8 provide additional information on managing and monitoring VLANs with VlanDirector.

Use the online help system that is integrated with the product for context-sensitive help on VlanDirector windows and error messages.

Audience

This guide is designed for network managers who are responsible for the initial setup and configuration of VLANs using VlanDirector. The network manager should be familiar with the following topics:

- Basic concepts and terminology used in internetworking
- Network topology and protocols
- Basic UNIX commands
- Windowing system that your network management station uses, such as Motif.
- CiscoView

Document Conventions

This guide uses basic conventions to represent text and table information.

Command descriptions use these conventions:

- Command paths in a graphical user interface (GUI) are indicated with angle brackets as follows: Action>Reports>Switch Detail.
- Variables for which you supply values are shown between angle brackets<>.
- Information the system displays is in **screen** font.
- Information that you enter is in **boldface** font.

Note Means *reader take note*. Notes contain helpful suggestions or references to material not contained in this guide.

Platform Differences

Information in this user guide applies to all management platforms on which VlanDirector runs except in the following case or where otherwise indicated.

UNIX systems use a three-button mouse. NT systems use a two-button mouse. To drag-and-drop on a UNIX system, press and hold down the middle mouse button on the icon to be dragged, and drag it to the target. Then release the mouse button to drop the icon on the target.

To drag and drop using an NT system, press and hold down the left mouse button on the icon to be dragged and drag it to the target. Then release the mouse button to drop the icon on the target.

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Related Documentation

For additional information, refer to the following Cisco Systems publications:

- *Cisco Products Catalogue*
- *Internetworking Terms and Acronyms*
- *Catalyst 5000 Series Hardware Installation and Maintenance*
- *Catalyst 5000 Series User Guide*
- *Catalyst 5000 Series Configuration Guide and Command Reference*
- *Catalyst 3000 Stack User Guide*
- *Catalyst 2900 Series User Guide*
- *Catalyst 2900 Configuration Guide and Command Reference*
- Hardware installation and maintenance publications for your switches
- Configuration notes for your switches, if applicable

Note Document titles might vary slightly depending on the software release.

All of these documents are available on Cisco Connection Documentation, Enterprise Series, Cisco's interactive online library of product information. To order Cisco Connection Documentation, Enterprise Series, or paper documentation, refer to "Ordering Cisco Documentation," which was shipped with your product.

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